

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 5787

January Session, 2021



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:

REP. LUXENBERG, 12th Dist.

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF NATIVE AMERICAN MASCOTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That titles 10 and 10a of the general statutes be amended to prohibit,
- 2 for the school year commencing July 1, 2021, and each school year
- 3 thereafter, a local or regional board of education, the Board of Regents
- 4 for Higher Education and the Board of Trustees of The University of
- 5 Connecticut from adopting or using any name, symbol or image that
- 6 depicts or refers to a Native American tribe, individual, custom or
- 7 tradition as a mascot, nickname, logo, letterhead or team name for any
- 8 school under the jurisdiction of such boards.

Statement of Purpose:

To promote respect for Native American people and traditions in the state of Connecticut by prohibiting the use of Native American mascots in public schools.

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